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C O R R E C T E D C O P Y (TEXT--- PARAGRAPH 2.)

E. O. 11652: N/ A

TAGS: PN PQ ELAB EIND

SUBJECT: CANAL ZONE BUS SERVICE

1. GOVT PRESS MORNING MARCH 19 CARRIES IDENTICAL
ARTICLES ALLEGING THAT " CANAL ZONE AUTHORITIES " HAVE
BLOCKED A SETTLEMENT OF CZBS CONTROVERSEY BY REFUSING TO
AUTHORIZE THE GOP- SPONSORED COOPERATIVE CUTSA TO OPERATE
IN THE CANAL ZONE. THE ARTICLES RECALL THAT LAST
NOVEMBER CZBS- OWNERS SIGNED A DECLARATION OF INTENT TO
SELL ITS OPERATION TO CUTSA. ARTICLES ALSO TRY TO
GIVE IMPRESSION THAT INTENSIVE NEGOTIATIONS HAVE BEEN
GOING ON SINCE NOVEMBER BUS HIJACKINGS.

2. FACT IS THAT CUTSA HAS SO FAR SHOWN ONLY A LETHARGIC
INTEREST IN THE TRANSACTION. IN ONLY MEETINGS HELD WITH PAN
CANAL CUTSA INSISTED THAT IT TAKE OVER THE CZBS OPERATION
AND RUN IT AS IT STANDS FROM WITHIN CANAL ZONE WITHOUT
PAYING US MINIMUM WAGES AND WE SUSPECT ALSO WITHOUT PAYING
GOP TAXES. THE EMBASSY HAS OUTLINED THE DIFFICULTIES OF
CUTSA' S PROPOSAL TO THE GOP MINISTERS OF FINANCE AND LABOR
BUT THIS HAS SO FAR HAD NO EFFECT. WE HAVE TOLD THE
LABOR MINISTER OF USG DESIRE TO SEE THIS ISSUE RESOLVED AND
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WE UNDERSTAND THAT CHAIRMAN OF CANAL ZONE PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION
COMMITTEE HAS MADE SIMILAR REPRESENTATIONS TO CUTSA.
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